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INFO AMCONSUL KARACHI

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TAGS: PFOR , UR , AF

SUBJ: SOVIET PUBLIC REACTION TO AFGHAN COUP UNPERTURBED

1. PRAVDA JULY 18 GIVES TOP SPOT ON ITS INTERNATIONAL NEWS PAGE TO AFGHAN COUP, REPORTING IN TASS DESPATCH FROM KABUL DAUD'S RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT ON ABOLITION OF MONARCHY AND CONTINUATION OF NON-ALIGNED FOREIGN POLICY. COMPANION TASS ITEM FROM PARIS QUOTES AFP AS SAYING THAT SITUATION IS CALM, WHILE THIRD ITEM FROM TASS ROME REPORTS PRESENCE IN ITALY OF "KING OF AFGHANISTAN ZAHIR SHAH."

2. COMMENT: SOVIET PUBLIC REACTION IS , AS USUAL IN SUCH CASES, HIGH NON-COMMITTAL WHILE DUST SETTLES. HOWEVER, SOVIETS UNDOUBTEDLY RAGARD DAUD FAVORABLY IN LIGHT OF HIS FRIENDLINESS TO THEM WHILE PRIME MINISTER, AND QUOTATION OF FOREIGN POLICY PASSEGES FROM HIS RADIO SPEECH IMPLIES APPROVAL.

3. WE HAVE OMMITTED KABUL AS ADDRESSEE IN VIEW MINIMIZE.

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